JUL 15 1998 CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

MINUTES

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Irvine, California

The California Transportation Commission meeting was called to order on June 2, 1998 at 12:10 p.m. at Park Place Complex Corporate Auditorium, 3333 Michelson Drive, Irvine, California.

The Commissioners' attendance was as follows:

Members Present: Robert Wolf, Chairman

Edward Sylvester, Vice Chairman, arrived at 12:20 p.m.

Mary Berglund
P. Gregory Conlon

Octavia Diener, arrived at 12:40 p.m.

David Fleming Roger Kozberg Dana Reed

Members Absent: Senator Quentin Kopp, Ex-Officio

Assemblyman Kevin Murray, Ex-Officio

The meeting recessed at 4:40 p.m. and reconvened on June 3, 1998 at 8:35 a.m. The Commissioners' attendance was as follows:

Members Present: Robert Wolf, Chairman

Edward Sylvester, Vice Chairman

Mary Berglund
P. Gregory Conlon
Octavia Diener
David Fleming
Roger Kozberg

Dana Reed, arrived at 9:20 a.m.

Members Absent: Senator Quentin Kopp, Ex-Officio

Assemblyman Kevin Murray, Ex-Officio

The regular meeting recessed at 10:20 a.m. for a closed session regarding litigation [Government Code Section 11126(e)(1)]. The regular Commission meeting reconvened at 10:50 a.m. and Chairman Wolf announced that no action had been taken in the closed session.

1. GENERAL MATTERS

1.(1) Approval of Minutes for May 6-7, 1998 Meeting.

Executive Director presented the minutes for approval and reported that it had been requested to amend Item 1.4 noting that Commissioner Kozberg was absent during the discussion about Harrison Street.

Commissioner Reed moved to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Commissioners Diener and Sylvester were absent).

1.(2) Commissioners' Meetings for Compensation

The May 1998 List of Meetings for Compensation was presented for approval. Commissioner Reed moved to approve the List. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 6-0 (Commissioners Diener and Sylvester were absent).

1.(3) Consent Calendar

It was the consensus of the Commission to add the following five Potential Consent Calendar Items to the Consent Calendar: Items 2.2b, 2.5b(5), 2.5b(6), 2.5c(4), and 2.5l.

Deputy Director Robert Chung reviewed the changes to the Consent Calendar. The changes were as follows:

- Item 2.4b Resolutions of Necessity #C-17473 was withdrawn by the Department as the issues had been settled; #C-17476 was withdrawn by the Department and is being deferred to the July meeting; #C-17458 owner name corrected from Out Enterprises, et al. to Lorna Cooper, Trustee for Kearney, et al.
- Item 2.5b(1) project #5 was moved to Item 2.5b(2) and Project #3 allocation amount on agenda vote list was corrected to \$4,400,000; the revised financial vote was for four STIP projects totaling \$12,677,000.
- Item 2.5b(3) project description was changed to clarify that only federal and not state funds were being allocated for the TEA project.
- Item 2.5b(4) Projects #11 and #25 were withdrawn by the Department; Project #2 project location was corrected on the book item and allocation amount changed on the agenda vote list; Project #24 information on the agenda vote list changed to include savings of \$153,000. The revised vote for Item 2.5b(4) was for twenty-three SHOPP projects totaling \$42,401,000.
- Item 2.5b(7) was withdrawn by the Department.
- Item 2.5b(8) Project #3 EA was changed to EA 242901 (0051S).

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, reported that Potential Consent Calendar Item 2.5b(6) Projects #4, #8, # 10, and #11 were withdrawn by the Department making the revised financial vote \$14,139,000 for nine SHOPP projects.

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the revised Consent Calendar with all changes. Vice Chairman Sylvester seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Diener was absent).

1.(4) Commission Reports

Commissioner Kozberg discussed the STIP process and commended staff for their effort.

Chairman Wolf noted that Commissioners Kozberg and Reed had confirmation hearings pending.

1.(5) Business, Transportation and Housing Agency Report

BT&H Undersecretary Del Pierce discussed Traffic Management, the draft Maritime policy for oceans and ports, elimination of the vehicle registration tax, and the upcoming budget review.

1.(6) Caltrans Report

Caltrans Director Jim van Loben Sels discussed contracting out and the rejection of Proposition 224. He also discussed the Caltrans budget hearings and a new proposed design for the Oakland Bay Bridge.

1.(7) Regional Agencies Report

Chairman Wolf announced that Therese McMillan would replace Craig Scott as the new Regional Agencies Moderator and Vic Kamhi would be the new Vice Moderator.

Regional Agencies Moderator Craig Scott discussed the RTPA meeting and follow-up actions required after the STIP adoption.

2. PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS

2.1 Program Amendments/Project Approvals

2.1a. STIP Amendments for Action

STIP Amendment 96S-60 - Action
 Deletes the San Juan Creek Railway Bridge Operational
 Improvement Project programmed for \$1,895,000 in FY 1992-93
 and transfers \$1,095,000 to the Lincoln Avenue Double Track
 Project and \$800,000 to the Santa Ana Transit Center Parking
 Structure Project. Requested by Orange County Transportation
 Authority (OCTA).

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.1b. STIP Amendment for Notice

No Items This Month

2.1c. TCI Amendment for Action

TCI Amendment 96S-61 - Action
Deletes four North Coast Rail Authority (NCRA) Shortline Railroad
Rehabilitation projects, programmed for a total of \$463,550 in the
FYs 1995-96 and 1996-97 Transit Capital Improvement (TCI)
Program, for replacement of ties, rails, and trestles; tunnel and
bridge rehabilitation, resurfacing and drainage improvements
between Willits and Arcata. These funds will go toward partial
payment of NCRA's commitment to the Q Fund Sinking Fund loan.
Requested by NCRA with concurrence of Department of
Transportation. (Consistent with concurrent Allocation under Item
2.6a(1) and related Policy Matter Item 4.8.)

Deputy Director Robert Chung described the proposed TCI amendment which will switch funding years between the NCRA FY 95-96 project and the Salinas project and will also preserve the Commission's options on the NCRA project. He recommended approval of the amendment.

Commissioner Reed moved to approve the amendment. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 8-0. The amendment had the effect of extending the "shelf life" of these funds but did not, in itself, place the funds into the Q Fund sinking fund.

2.1d. Proposition 116 - Non Urban County Project Approvals/Amendments

No Items This Month

- **2.1e.** Proposition 116 Rail Project Approvals/Amendments
 - 2.1e.(1) Project Approval for \$2,000,000 to City of Irvine and Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) for Irvine Urban Rail Guideway Program. (See related Item 3.5.)

 Resolution PA-98-09

Cindy Krebs, OCTA spoke in support of the funding request. She reviewed the projects and transit linkages.

Commissioner Diener moved to approve the project. Commissioner Berglund seconded the motion. Commissioner Reed reported that he would not oppose the project because it was only \$2 million, but he noted his discomfort with the whole project. The motion carried 8-0.

2.1e.(2) Project Approval for \$4,250,000 to City of Bakersfield for Bakersfield Amtrak Station. (Consistent with concurrent Allocation under Item 2.6b(1).)

Resolution PA-98-10

Proposition 116 Program Manager Sharon Scherzinger reviewed the project and recommended approval subject to 1.) programming of \$5.3 million in 1998 STIP funds, 2.) written confirmation of permits from BNSF and Kern Delta Water District, 3.) written confirmation from State Architect of ADA compliance, and 4.) written confirmation from Kern COG of support for project.

Commissioner Reed discussed the need for better access between trains and transit and requested Caltrans staff to provide the Commission with a detailed briefing on the aspects of the Bakersfield Station that will better improve access and transfer for passengers between Amtrak trains, Amtrak buses, and other modes.

ACTION: W. Weber

Commissioner Diener moved to approve the project with the conditions as laid out in the staff report. Commissioner Berglund seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

2.2 Environmental Matters

2.2a. Comments on Document in Circulation

No Items This Month

- 2.2b. Approval of Project for Future Consideration of Funding
 - Route 1 in Monterey County Construct operational improvements east of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea. (Negative Declaration) Resolution E-98-09

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.3 Highway Route Matters
 - **2.3a.** Route Adoptions

No Items This Month

2.3b. New Public Road Connections

No Items This Month

- 2.3c. Three Relinquishment Resolutions
 - 03-Pla-28-0.1/0.8 Route 28 in Placer County. Resolution R-3362
 - 03-Sut-99-13.9/20.7 Route 99 in Sutter County. Resolution R-3363
 - 11-SD-78-21.5/22.1 Route 78 in San Diego County. Resolution R-3364

2.3d. One Vacation Resolution

 10-Sta-108-22.4/22.5 - Route 108 in the City of Modesto. Resolution A-840

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.4 Highway Right of Way Matters

2.4a. Resolutions of Necessity - Appearances

 Spieker Properties 04-SCI-87-8.0/8.6 C-17450

Chairman Wolf introduced the Resolution of Necessity Hearing. Commissioner Berglund reviewed the statutory requirements for the hearing.

Terry Abbott, Caltrans, described the project, explained why the property was required, and recommended approval of the Resolution of Necessity.

Norm Matteoni, attorney for the property owners, discussed objections to the Resolution of Necessity and requested a temporary easement be added to the condemnation.

Chairman Wolf clarified that the Commission does not consider compensation issues. Terry Abbott indicated that the offer made for damages was in compliance with the statute. Mr. Matteoni noted that the property owners had not been compensated for parking losses.

Ralph Qualls, City of San Jose Department of Public Works, spoke in favor of the Resolution of Necessity and requested approval.

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the Resolution of Necessity. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. Chairman Wolf ordered a roll call vote; the motion passed 7-0-1 as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Berglund, Conlon, Fleming, Kozberg, Reed, Sylvester, and Wolf (7)

NOES: (0)

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Diener (1)

2.4b. 28 Resolutions of Necessity C-17451 Through C-17472 C-17474, C-17475 C-17477 ThroughC-17480

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.4c. Airspace Leases Direct Negotiations (Sole Sources Leases)

No Items This Month.

2.4d. Director's Deeds

Items # 1 Through # 3

Excess Lands - Return to State: \$1,197,000

Return to Others: \$0

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5 Highway Financial Matters

2.5a. Financial Vote for Minor Projects. Thirteen Minor Projects totaling \$2,920,240, plus \$839,160 in Local Contributions. Resolution FP-97-92

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5b. Financial Vote for STIP/SHOPP/Toll Bridge/TSM/TEA Projects on the State Highway System.

2.5b.(1) Four 1996 STIP Projects totaling \$12,677,000 plus \$5,145,326 in Local Contributions. Resolution FP-97-93

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5b.(2) Four 1998 STIP Regional Improvement Program (RIP) Projects totaling \$54,981,000. Resolution FP-97-110

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, described the projects and allocations and recommended approval.

Executive Director Remen noted that the Santa Clara project was contingent on permits and had secured all permits.

Commissioner Reed moved to approve the allocations as requested. Commissioner Berglund seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Chairman Wolf was absent).

2.5b.(3) One 1996 STIP TEA Project in Tulare County on Route 198 for \$733,000.

Resolution FP-97-94

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5b.(4) Twenty-three SHOPP Projects totaling \$42,401,000 plus \$569,800 in Local Contributions. Resolution FP-97-95

2.5b.(5) One SHOPP Project to improve Caltrans Headquarters Building, 1120 N Street for \$1,629,700. Resolutions FM-98-04 and FP-97-96

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5b.(6) Nine SHOPP Projects Amended into the SHOPP by Department Action totaling \$14,139,000. Resolution FP-97-97

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5b.(7) One Toll Bridge Project at the San Mateo-Hayward Bridge for \$126,793,000.

Resolution FP-97-98

This item was withdrawn by the Department prior to the meeting.

2.5b.(8) Eighteen TSM Projects totaling \$40,124,000. Resolution FP-97-99

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- **2.5c.** Financial Vote for STIP/TSM/EEM/TEA Projects Off the State Highway System
 - **2.5c.(1)** One 1996 STIP Off-System Project at \$4,320,000, plus \$3,743,400 in Local Contributions. Resolution FP-97-100

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5c.(2) Fourteen Local TSM Projects totaling \$10,047,800, plus \$5,542,783 in Local Contributions. Resolution FP-97-101

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5c.(3) Six EEM Projects totaling \$714,431, plus \$1,350,643 in Contributions from Others. Resolution FP-97-102

2.5c.(4) One EEM Project at \$19,039 for payment of unpaid invoice to City of San Jose.

Resolution FP-97-103

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5c.(5) Two 1996 STIP Off-System TEA Projects totaling \$556,700, plus \$1,685,300 in Local Contributions. Resolution FP-97-104

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.5c.(6) Twelve 1998 STIP Off-System Regional Improvement Program (RIP) projects totaling \$9,576,142, plus \$6,311,000 in Local Contributions.

Resolution FP-97-105

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, described the projects and the various changes and recommended approval.

Commissioner Reed moved to approve the allocations. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Chairman Wolf was absent).

- **2.5d.** Financial Vote for Projects with Cost Increases Greater than 120 Percent of Program Amount. Two Projects totaling \$6,927,000. Resolution FP-97-106
 - 06-Tul-99 SHOPP project in Tulare County on Route 99. Replace bridge and realign approaches. Current program value \$2,490,000 and current estimate \$5,372,000 for a 116 percent increase over programmed amount.
 - 07-LA-5,10 SHOPP project in Los Angeles County on Route 5 and Route 10. Mitigation planting. Current program value \$1,055,000 and current estimate \$1,555,000 for a 47 percent increase over programmed amount.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, described the projects and explained the cost increases.

Vice Chairman Sylvester discussed his meeting with Mr. Nicholas concerning the bridge changes and then moved to approve the funding for the cost increases. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

2.5e. Financial Vote for Supplemental Funds for Previously Voted Projects. Four Projects totaling \$557,200. Resolution FA-97-11

- 02-Tri-3,299 SHOPP Project in Trinity County on Route 3 and Route 299. \$250,000 for On-Going Contract. Original vote \$2,600,000. Current allocation \$2,907,000 for a grand total of \$3,157,000. 50 Percent increase over Award.
- 07-LA-91 Minor project in Los Angeles County on Route 91.
 \$58,200 to Allow Award. Original vote \$212,000 for a grand total of \$270,200.
 27 Percent increase over Vote.
- 07-LA-110 Minor project in Los Angeles County on Route 110.
 \$136,000 to Allow Award. Original vote \$286,000 for a grand total of \$422,000.
 48 Percent increase over Vote.
- 09-Mno-108 Minor project in Mono County on Route 108. \$113,000 to Allow Award. Original vote \$300,000 for a grand total of \$413,000. 38 Percent increase over Vote

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, described the four projects and discussed the need for supplemental funds.

After discussion, Vice Chairman Sylvester moved to approve the supplemental funds. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

2.5f. Emergency Allocations

- 2.5f.(1) Informational Report Emergency G-11 Allocations
 Eight Projects totaling \$16,560,000, plus twenty additional
 emergency projects totaling \$14,044,000 approved by the
 Department after preparation of the May 1998 meeting material, for
 a total of twenty-eight emergency projects totaling \$30,604,000.
- **2.5f.(2)** Informational Report Phase 1 Seismic Retrofit G-11 Allocations Three Projects totaling \$2,002,000.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, presented the informational reports on Emergency G-11 Allocations [Item 2.5f.(1) and Phase 1 Seismic Retrofit G-11 Allocations [Item 2.5f.(2)].

- **2.5g.** Financial Vote for Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Projects Funded with Proposition 192 Revenues. Two Projects totaling \$4,767,600. Resolution FP-97-107
 - 04-SF-80 In San Francisco County on Route 80 at the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge for a cost of \$1,380,700.
 - 04-SF-80,480 In San Francisco County on Route 80 and Route 480 at the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge for a cost of \$3,386,900.

This item was pulled from the agenda.

2.5h. Allocation of \$449,345,000 to Caltrans for FY 1998-99 Local Assistance Program. Resolution FM-98-05

Joan Borucki, Caltrans, presented the request for the annual allocation of local assistance funds pending approval of the 1998 budget.

Commissioner Diener moved to approve the allocation for the Local Assistance Program. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Conlon was absent).

2.5i. Partial allocation of \$40,000,000 to Caltrans for FY 1998-99 Right-of-Way Program.

Resolution FM-98-06

Stephen Maller, Caltrans, presented the request for a partial allocation for the Right of Way Program.

Commissioner Berglund moved to approve the allocation as requested. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Conlon was absent).

2.5j. Increase allocation of \$33,500,000 for FY 1997-98 Phase 2 Seismic Retrofit Project support costs, pursuant to Proposition 192. Resolution FP-97-108

Joan Borucki, Caltrans, presented the allocation request for an increase of \$33,500,000 for Phase 2 Seismic Retrofit Project support costs.

Commissioner Reed moved to approve the allocation. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

2.5k. Allocation of \$92,097,000 for FY 1998-99 Phase 2 Seismic Retrofit Project support costs, pursuant to Proposition 192. Resolution FP-97-109

Joan Borucki, Caltrans, presented the allocation request of \$91,897,000 for FY 1998-99 Phase 2 Seismic Retrofit support and interest costs.

Commissioner Reed moved to approve the allocation. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Commissioner Conlon was absent).

2.5I. Extension of One-Year Allocation Time Limit for Three Projects on the State Highway System.

Resolution FX-97-02

- 04-SCI-280 In Santa Clara County on Route 280. Bridge widening project. Original vote date June 5, 1997, proposed award extension date September 5, 1998.
- 08-Riv-86 In Riverside County on Route 86. Expressway project.
 Original vote date July 9, 1997, proposed award extension date January 9, 1999.
- 11-SD-163 In San Diego County on Route 163. Median barrier and improvement project. Original vote date June 5, 1997, proposed award extension date November 5, 1998.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- 2.5m. Financial Vote for Additional Funds for Previously Approved Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Projects Funded with Proposition 192 Revenues. These increases are within the total allocation for the Toll Bridge Seismic Retrofit Program. Two Projects totaling \$6,202,000. Resolution FA-97-12
 - 04-CC, Sol-680 In Contra Costa and Solano Counties on Route 680 at the Benicia-Martinez Toll Bridge for an additional cost of \$6,353,000 to allow award. Original vote \$76,347,000, current allocation \$92,347,000 for a grand total of \$98,700,000. 29 Percent increase over Vote.
 - 04-SF-80 In San Francisco County on Yerba Buena Island at tunnel approaches for an additional cost of \$646,000 to allow award.
 Original vote \$3,000,000 for a grand total of \$3,646,000. 22 Percent increase over Vote.

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, reviewed the 2 projects and discussed the bidding process and higher than expected bids.

Commissioner Conlon moved to approve the funds. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

- 2.6 Mass Transportation Financial Matters
 - **2.6a.** Financial Vote for TCI Program Projects
 - 2.6a.(1) \$463,550 to North Coast Rail Authority for partial payment toward "Q" Fund Sinking Fund loan. (Consistent with TCI Amendment under Item 2.1c(1) and Policy Matter Item 4.8.) Resolution MFP-97-55

This item was tabled until the August meeting (see Item 4.8)

2.6a.(2) \$706,000 to San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission for Lodi Multimodal Facility, Phase IV. Resolution MFP-97-56

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.6a.(3) \$4,678,489 for four Local TCI Program Projects Resolution MFP-97-57

Deputy Director Robert Chung briefly reviewed the financial vote for Local TCI program projects. Commissioner Reed moved to approve the funding. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

2.6a.(4) \$369,500 to Department of Transportation for Oakland Coliseum Amtrak Station - Capital Corridor. Resolution MFP-97-58

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- **2.6b.** Financial Vote for Proposition 116/108 Bond Program Projects
 - **2.6b.(1)** One Local Proposition 116 Rail Project for \$1,705,000
 - \$1,705,000 to City of Bakersfield for Bakersfield Amtrak Station - San Joaquin Corridor. (Consistent with concurrent Project Approval under Item 2.1e(2).) Resolution BFP-97-31

Proposition 116 Program Manager Sharon Scherzinger presented the allocation request (see Item 2.1e.(2).

Commissioner Diener moved to approve the allocation. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

- 2.6b.(2) One Local Proposition 116 Non-Urban Project for \$940,000
 - \$940,000 to City of Chico for the purchase of transit vehicles and bus shelters.
 Resolution BFP-97-32

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

- **2.6c.** Financial Vote for One 1996 STIP Mass Transportation Project Resolution MFP-97-59
 - \$8,090,433 to Sacramento Regional Transit District for right of way acquisition for South Corridor Light Rail Project.

2.7 Aeronautics Financial Matters

Allocation of \$37,000 for FY 1997-98 California Aid to Airports
 Program (CAAP) funds for one project from the 1996 Aeronautics Program.
 Resolution FDOA-98-3

-- County of Modoc - Tulelake Airport \$37,000 - Lighted Segmented Circle

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

2.8 Waiver of Commission Policy

Request for Waiver of Financial Guidelines for Local Agency Reimbursement from the City of Corning to extend the period of project reimbursement for the Corning Transit/Transfer Facility Project from June 30, 1998 to June 30, 1999. The Commission allocated \$865,947 of Proposition 116 Non-Urban County Bond Program funds to Corning on February 22, 1996. Through April 8, 1998, the Department has authorized \$359,413 in reimbursements against this allocation.

David Cabrera, Caltrans, presented the waiver request and recommended approval with conditions.

The Commission discussed the waiver request and directed staff to review the transit providers occupancy levels at intermodal and transfer facilities funded in part with State dollars, including those currently operating and those either under construction or programmed for construction and to report back to the Commission at the October Commission meeting.

ACTION: D. Cabrera/R. Chung

Betty Pryatel, City of Corning Vice Mayor, discussed reasons for the project delay and confirmed that the project is planned for future completion.

Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the waiver as recommended by Caltrans, but reject the occupancy factors as a condition of approval. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

- 2.9 Technical Changes to Previously Approved Resolutions
 - **2.9(1)** Resolution MFP-97-48. Originally approved February 18, 1998, for \$696,000. Correction in project funding from Public Transportation Account (PTA) to State Highway Account (SHA). Correction in program coding from 30.20.020 to 30.10.070. All other allocation information remains the same.

2.9(2) Various Resolutions from Fiscal Years 1995-96, 1996-97, and 1997-98. Correction in allocation amount of \$77,606,615 from Public Transportation Account (Budget Act Item 2660-101-0046) to State Highway Account (Budget Act Item 2660-101-0042 and/or 2660-125-0042) and Budget Revision Transfer of \$77,606,615 from Public Transportation Account Appropriation Item 2660-101-0046 Budget Acts of 1995, 1996 and 1997 to State Highway Account Appropriation Item 2660-101-0042 and/or 2660-125-0042 Budget Acts of 1995,1996 and 1997 for seventy-three (73) Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) Program Projects.

This item was pulled from the agenda prior to the meeting.

3. PROGRAM STATUS

3.1 Caltrans Monthly Finance Report

Joan Borucki, Caltrans, presented the monthly Program Finance report and noted that the State Highway Account cash balance continues to grow and is expected to be \$1.8 billion at the end of April.

3.2 Monthly Report on Status of Projects Previously Voted but not Awarded

Jim Nicholas, Caltrans, noted that there were only 6 projects left on the list, three of which were given extensions under Item 2.5l.

- 3.3 Quarterly Reports
 - 3.3a. Program Delivery
 - **3.3b.** Seismic Safety Retrofit Program
 - 3.3c. Right of Way Expenditures Against Annual Plan
 - **3.3d.** Environmental Document Progress
 - **3.3e.** Status of Pending Claim Settlements

Jack Boda, Caltrans, presented the quarterly reports for Item 3.3a. through 3.3e. Commissioner Sylvester asked about the expected year-end delivery achievement and Mr. Boda indicated that it was expected to be 90% of projects and 100% or more of dollars. The Commission accepted the reports and did not request any further action or additional information.

3.3f. SHOPP Program

Jim Nicholas presented the quarterly SHOPP Program report. The Commission accepted the reports and did not request any action or additional information.

3.3q. STIP Project Deletions

None this month.

- **3.3h.** Timely Use of Funds in all Grant Programs
- 3.3i. Cash Forecast State Highway Account

Joan Borucki, Caltrans, presented the quarterly reports for Items 3.3h. and 3.3i. Commissioner Conlon asked how the 1990 STIP figures into cash balance forecast and Ms. Borucki indicated it depends on delivery, not program alone. Commissioner Reed asked what interest the State Highway Account was earning, and was told about \$10 million per month currently. The Commission accepted the reports and did not request any action or additional information.

3.3j. Intercity Rail Farebox Recovery by Corridor

Warren Weber, Caltrans, presented the quarterly report on Intercity Rail Farebox Recovery. The Commission accepted the reports and did not request any action or additional information.

3.4 Quarterly Finance Report on Proposition 116

Proposition 116 Program Manager Sharon Scherzinger presented the quarterly finance report on Proposition 116 applications and allocations. The Commission accepted the reports and did not request any action or additional information.

3.5 Status Report on City of Irvine Proposition 116 Applications

Michael Ward, City of Irvine Councilmember, and Cindy Krebs, OCTA Urban Rail Manager, presented a status report on the City of Irvine's Proposition 116 applications.

3.6 Status of Proposition 116 FY 1992-93 Competitive Bicycle Program Project Delivery Deadline Extension

Proposition 116 Program Manager Sharon Scherzinger discussed the status of Proposition 116 FY 1992-93 Competitive Bicycle Program Projects. The Commission asked her to report back at the December Commission meeting on the status of remaining Proposition 116 bicycle projects and a list of projects for use of the redirected funds.

ACTION: S. Scherzinger

4. POLICY MATTERS

4.1 State Legislative Matters

Deputy Director Chuck Oldham discussed the status of several bills of interest to the Commission.

Chief Deputy Director Pete Hathaway presented a brief report on the status of TEA 21 (Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century) and the Commission discussed Commission responsibility for TEA projects.

4.2 Review of Commission Staff Recommendations for 1998 STIP

Deputy Director David Brewer presented the staff recommendations for the 1998 STIP. The Commissioners discussed the recommendations. The following action items resulted from the discussion:

 Arrange a tour for interested Commissioners of the Sacramento Downtown Depot in conjunction with the July Commission meeting.

ACTION: R. Remen

 Work with the City of Sacramento and Regional Agency officials in exploring joint TEA funding for a portion of the Sacramento Depot project.

ACTION: J. Nicholas/R. Chung

 Structure an expanded workshop on TEA 21 with an explanation of the Act and discussion of issues affecting California.

ACTION: R. Remen/C. House

4.3 Management of State and Federal Funding Resources

Joan Borucki, Caltrans, reported on the management of state and federal funding resources noting that a lot of uncertainty existed because of TEA 21. She reiterated the policy to use all federal dollars available and indicated Caltrans would revisit the state-only funding policy after TEA 21 questions and issues are resolved.

Craig Scott, Regional Agencies Moderator, discussed the regional perspective on the state-only funding policy for 1998 STIP projects. The Commission directed staff to prepare a letter to those Regional Agencies who indicated a preference for State-only funding for 1998 STIP projects and clarify the fund-type remains to be resolved.

ACTION: D. Brewer

4.4 Memorandums of Understanding

4.4a. Execution of Memorandum of Understanding Between Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority and California Transportation Commission, and Status of Rail Recovery Plan Resolution G-98-11

Commissioner Reed recused himself from the proceedings and did not participate in either the discussions or the vote for this item.

Deputy Director Chung briefly reviewed the history and purpose of the MOU.

Julian Burke, LACMTA, presented signed copies of the MOU that MTA had approved. He also discussed the status of the restructuring plan, reviewed the status of the North Hollywood extensions and other Los Angeles projects.

After discussion, Commissioner Fleming moved to approve the MOU and authorized the Chairman to sign it on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Kozberg seconded the motion which carried 7-0-1 (Commissioner Reed abstained from discussions and vote).

4.4b. Execution of Memorandum of Understanding Between Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART), Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and California Transportation Commission Regarding State Funding for San Francisco Airport Extension Resolution G-98-13

Deputy Director Robert Chung reviewed the history of the MOU, described its purpose, and recommended approval.

Michael Kiesling, Regional Alliance for Transit, spoke in support of the MOU and asked the Commission to monitor the BART SFO project.

Jon Twichell, Coalition for a One-Stop Terminal, spoke in support of the staff recommendations.

Commissioner Reed moved to approve the MOU and authorize the Chairman to sign it on behalf of the Commission. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

4.5 Adoption of 1998 STIP Programming Resolution G-98-08

Chairman Wolf asked for a motion to adopt the STIP.

Commissioner Reed indicated he would vote "no" on the Mono County RTIP.

Commissioner Berglund moved to approve the 1998 STIP. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which passed 8-0 except for the portion related to the Mono County RTIP where Commissioner Reed voted "no" and the vote was 6-1.

The following actions items resulted from discussions and/or Commission action:

 Start development of permanent STIP guidelines and assessment of 1998 STIP process as mandated by SB 45.

ACTION: R. Remen/C. House

 Present at July or August Commission meeting the draft funding allocation guidelines as specified by SB 45.

ACTION: D. Brewer/G. Hagan

Establish a common record methodology for keeping track of county share parity.

ACTION: D. Brewer/J. Nicholas

- **4.6** 1998 Aeronautics Program
 - **4.6a.** TACA Recommendations on Use of AIP Match Fund Redirection Resolution G-98-09
 - Lee Vining Airport (Mono County) Project
 - Rio Vista Airport Matching Funds for Economic Development Grant
 - South Lake Tahoe Airport Tower Operating Funds

Deputy Director Chuck Oldham presented the TACA recommendations on the use of unused AIP Match funds and recommended approval. The Commission discussed the recommendations and also directed staff to seek a legal opinion about the eligibility of using Aeronautics Account funds for control tower operations at the South Lake Tahoe Airport and report back at the July Commission meeting.

ACTION: C. Oldham

Commissioner Berglund moved to approve the recommendations. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Chairman Wolf was absent).

4.6b. Adoption of 1998 Aeronautics Program Resolution G-98-10

Deputy Director Oldham summarized the 1998 Aeronautics Program and recommended approval.

Commissioner Berglund moved to approve the Program. Commissioner Diener seconded the motion which carried 7-0 (Chairman Wolf was absent).

4.7 Clarification by Resources Agency of Project Evaluation Issues, and Proposals for FY 1998-99 Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation Program

This item was pulled prior to the meeting and will be rescheduled for the July Commission meeting.

4.8 Policy Resolution to Authorize the Establishment of a Trust/Escrow Account Within State Treasury System for Q-Fund Repayment by NCRA

Deputy Director Robert Chung summarized Items 4.8 and 2.6a.(I). Commissioner Reed moved to table discussion on these items until the August meeting. Commissioner Fleming seconded the motion which carried 8-0.

5. MODAL ISSUES

5.1 Rail

No Items This Month

5.2 Highways

5.2a. Presentation on Traffic Management System Benefits

Hamed Benour, Caltrans, discussed the benefits of the Traffic Management System.

Commissioner Conlon expressed concern about traffic congestion and suggested 1.) working with the top 100 companies for transportation demand management incentives, 2.) better use of helicopters to more quickly respond to and assess traffic accidents and incidents, and 3.) incentives for business to reduce heavy truck operators during peak traffic times.

Lt. Dwight McKenna, Orange County CHP, reviewed the Orange County plan.

Chief Bob Swanberg, CHP, spoke in support of the traffic management system.

Dean Delgado, OCTA, discussed funding and partnerships for traffic management systems.

Michael Morgan, California Trucking Association, discussed the implications for the trucking industry.

Therese McMillan, MTC, discussed the traffic management issues for the Bay Area.

Craig Scott, SANDAG, discussed the traffic management activities in the San Diego area.

Mark Pisano, SCAG, discussed the effectiveness of the traffic management plans and how to increase their effectiveness in Southern California.

5.2b. Presentation by Mark Pisano on SCAG's "Community Link 21" Draft 1998 Regional Transportation Plan

Mark Pisano, SCAG, presented an overview of SCAG's Regional Transportation Plan. During the presentation, the Commission asked him to provide all information and data associated with the contemplated mag lev high speed rail system.

ACTION: M Pisano

6. OTHER MATTERS

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10.55 a.m.	